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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

John Vivian WOOD et al

Application No: 09/514,759

Filed: February 28, 2000

For: A BIOCOMPATIBLE GRIPPING DEVICE

Art Unit: 3731

Examiner:

Michael H. Thaler

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for three months' extension of time, i.e. until January 11, 2004, for reply to the Office Action dated July 11, 2003, under 37 CFR 1.136(a). A check in the amount of \$950 for the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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